

CLAIM LISTING SHOWING CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-9 (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a tire cover adapted to extend over a tire that includes a tread surface, an annular sidewall surface and a wheel area, comprising:

(a) forming a material in the shape of a tire cover, thereby to comprise:

(1) a cylindrical panel sized to extend circumferentially around the tire in confronting relation to said tread surface;

(2) a face panel joined to said cylindrical panel and sized to extend alongside the sidewall surface and across the wheel area;

(i) said face panel having a display surface adapted to display ~~the~~ a design;

(b) contacting the display surface with a transfer pattern thereby to transfer a design to said display surface, wherein said transfer pattern comprises:

(1) a substrate having a surface;

(2) a first pigmented material disposed on said surface,

(i) said first pigmented material including a plurality of glass particles operative to reflect light received from a light source;

(3) a second pigmented material overlaying at least a portion of said first pigmented material,

(i) said second pigmented material including a plurality of glass particles operative to reflect light received from a light source; and

(4) at least one adhesive material adhered to said first pigmented material and said second pigmented material in a primary design pattern that has at least a first design portion and a second design portion,

(i) wherein said at least one adhesive material is adhered to said first pigmented material in a first design pattern that is congruent with said first design portion, and

(ii) wherein said at least one adhesive material is adhered to said second pigmented material in a second design pattern that is congruent with said second design portion; and

(c) removing said substrate thereby to remove portions of said first pigmented ~~layer~~ material.

11. (Original) A method according to claim 10 wherein the step of forming includes forming a vinyl material in the shape of a tire cover.

12. (Original) A method according to claim 10 including joining said cylindrical panel to said face panel by stitching.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (Original) A method according to claim 10 wherein said first pigmented material is colored a first color and wherein said second pigmented material is colored a second color that is different from said first color.

16. (Canceled).

17. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 10 wherein said substrate and said first pigmented material are formed together as a transfer film.

18. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 10 wherein said first pigmented material comprises an ink.

19. (Original) A method according to claim 10 wherein said at least one adhesive material is a hot-melt adhesive

20. (Original) A method according to claim 10 wherein the step of contacting includes applying pressure to said transfer pattern and said display surface.

21. (Original) A method according to claim 10 wherein the step of contacting includes applying heat to said transfer pattern and said display surface.

Claims 22-42 (Canceled)

43. (Previously presented) A method of manufacturing a tire cover adapted to extend over a tire that includes a tread surface, an annular sidewall surface and a wheel area, comprising:

- (a) forming a material in the shape of a tire cover, thereby to comprise:
 - (1) a cylindrical panel sized to extend circumferentially around the tire in confronting relation to said tread surface;
 - (2) a face panel joined to said cylindrical panel and sized to extend alongside the sidewall surface and across the wheel area;

- (i) said face panel having a display surface adapted to display the design;
- (b) contacting the display surface with a transfer pattern thereby to transfer a design to said display surface, wherein said transfer pattern comprises:
 - (1) a substrate having a surface;
 - (2) a first pigmented material disposed on said surface,
 - (i) said first pigmented material including a plurality of glass particles operative to reflect light received from a light source;
 - (3) a second pigmented material overlaying at least a portion of said first pigmented material; and
 - (4) a first adhesive material adhered to said first pigmented material and a second adhesive material adhered to said second pigmented material in a primary design pattern that has at least a first design portion and a second design portion,
 - (i) wherein said first adhesive material is adhered to said first pigmented material in a first design pattern that is congruent with said first design portion,
 - (ii) wherein said second adhesive material is adhered to said second pigmented material in a second design pattern that is congruent with said second design portion, and
 - (iii) wherein said first adhesive material is different from said second adhesive material.